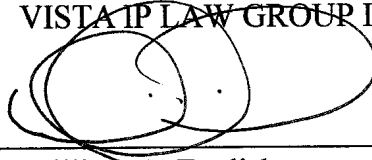


REMARKS:

In response to the Office Action/Restriction mailed August 30, 2006, Applicants elect Group I, and original claims 1-22 readable thereon. With respect to the Species restrictions, Applicants elect Specie G) (Fig. 7) of the first species set, Specie IV (Fig. 14) of the second species set, and Specie 1) (Figs. 24, 27) of the third species set, and claims 1, 2, and 4-22 readable thereon.

In addition, claims 23-35 have been canceled without prejudice, and new claims 36-55 have been added, which are also readable upon the elected Group and Species (except for new claim 45 which is withdrawn).

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